UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

TYRELLE WEBSTER,

Case No. 1:16-cv-879

Petitioner,

Dlott, J.

V.

Litkovitz, M.J.

WARDEN, MANSFIELD CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION, Respondent. REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

On August 29, 2016, petitioner, an inmate currently incarcerated at the Mansfield Correctional Institution, filed a motion for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* in connection petition for a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. (Doc. 1). On September 14, 2016, the Court denied the motion and ordered petitioner to pay the full filing fee of \$5.00 within thirty (30) days. (Doc. 2). Petitioner was informed that "if petitioner fails to pay the \$5.00 filing fee within thirty (30) days of the date of filing of this Order, the existing action will be closed on the Court's docket."

To date, more than thirty (30) days after the Court's September 14, 2016 Order, petitioner has failed to pay the filing fee in this matter.

District courts have the inherent power to *sua sponte* dismiss civil actions for want of prosecution "to manage their own affairs so as to achieve the orderly and expeditious disposition of cases." *Link v. Wabash R.R.*, 370 U.S. 626, 630-631 (1962). Failure of a party to respond to an order of the Court warrants invocation of the Court's inherent power in this federal habeas corpus proceeding. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b); *see also* Rule 11, Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases in the United States District Courts, 28 U.S.C. foll. § 2254.

Accordingly, because petitioner has failed to comply with the September 14, 2016 Order requiring petitioner to pay the \$5.00 filing fee within thirty (30) days, petitioner's petition for a writ of habeas corpus should be **DISMISSED** for lack of prosecution.

IT IS SO RECOMMENDED.

Date: 10/17/16

Karen L. Litkovitz

United States Magistrate Judge

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NOTICE

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b), **WITHIN 14 DAYS** after being served with a copy of the recommended disposition, a party may serve and file specific written objections to the proposed findings and recommendations. This period may be extended further by the Court on timely motion for an extension. Such objections shall specify the portions of the Report objected to and shall be accompanied by a memorandum of law in support of the objections. If the Report and Recommendation is based in whole or in part upon matters occurring on the record at an oral hearing, the objecting party shall promptly arrange for the transcription of the record, or such portions of it as all parties may agree upon, or the Magistrate Judge deems sufficient, unless the assigned District Judge otherwise directs. A party may respond to another party's objections **WITHIN 14 DAYS** after being served with a copy thereof. Failure to make objections in accordance with this procedure may forfeit rights on appeal. *See Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140 (1985); *United States v. Walters*, 638 F.2d 947 (6th Cir. 1981).